

## California Environmental Protection Agency

Air Resources Board ● Department of Pesticide Regulation ● Department of Toxic Substances Control Integrated Waste Management Board ● Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment

State Water Resources Control Board ● Regional Water Quality Control Boards



**September 30, 2004** 

## Dear EJ Stakeholder:

In 2001, the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA) established an Advisory Committee to advise us on environmental justice issues relating to our environmental regulatory programs. To ensure continued public participation and broad representation on this multi-stakeholder group, Cal/EPA is initiating a second cycle of solicitation for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Environmental Justice.

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 71114, the Advisory Committee functions as an advisory body, providing recommendations and information, to Cal/EPA and the Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice<sup>1</sup> (IWG). By statute, the seventeen (17) members of Advisory Committee include:

- Two representatives from environmental justice organizations;
- Two representatives from community organizations;
- Two representatives from environmental organizations;
- One representative from a federally recognized Tribe;
- Two representatives from local or regional land use planning agencies;
- Two representatives from air districts;
- Two representatives from certified unified program agencies (CUPAs); and
- Two representatives of small business and two representatives of large business, except that two of the representatives may be from an association that represents small or large businesses.

Members of the Advisory Committee will usually serve terms of two or three years, and may re-apply for a new term. The Committee positions are voluntary, non-paid appointments; Cal/EPA will pay for travel expenses and provide a reasonable per diem for attendance at Advisory Committee meetings by Advisory Committee members from nonprofit organizations. Committee meetings are conducted at the request of the Secretary and IWG and are expected to be held not more than twice a year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Interagency Working Group is composed of the Secretary for Environmental Protection, the Chairs of the State Air Resources Board, the California Integrated Waste Management Board, the State Water Resources Control Board, the Director of Toxic Substances Control, the Director of Pesticide Regulation, the Director of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, and the Director of the Office of Planning and Research."

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We are seeking applicants who have knowledge of and demonstrated leadership experience in environmental justice issues affecting their respective communities. We would welcome your interest and encourage your assistance in nominating members to the Cal/EPA Advisory Committee on Environmental Justice.

The enclosed application must be postmarked no later than November 1, 2004, and should be addressed to:

Ms. Tam Doduc
Deputy Secretary for Environmental Quality
California Environmental Protection Agency
P.O. Box 2815
Sacramento, CA 95812

A completed application can also be faxed to (916) 445-6401. Notification of the final selections will be made by December 1, 2004.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please contact Deputy Secretary Doduc at (916) 324-7582.

Best regards

Terry Tamminen Agency Secretary

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**Enclosures**